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Applicant: Karl E. Gierskicky et al.

Examiner: Robert Deemie

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Title: ESTERS OF 5-AMINOLEVULINIC ACID AS PHOTORESENSITIZING
AGENTS IN PHOTOCHEMOTHERAPYPROPOSED INFORMAL AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

As requested by Examiner Robert Deemie, during a phone conversation on September 14, 1999 between the Examiner and Applicant's attorney Robert Harris (Reg. No. 37,346), the following proposed informal amendment is submitted for consideration.

IN THE CLAIMS

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

28. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective diagnostic or therapeutic amount of a compound of formula I



(I)

wherein, R^1 is alkyl; and each R^2 is independently hydrogen or alkyl;
wherein each alkyl of R^1 and R^2 is optionally substituted by hydroxy, alkoxy, acyloxy, alkoxy carbonyloxy, amino, aryl, oxo or fluoro groups and is optionally interrupted by oxygen atoms; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, together with at least one pharmaceutical carrier or excipient.